

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of )  
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 ALAN F. SAVICKI ) Group Art Unit: 3677  
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 Serial No. 09/979,527 ) Examiner: Marcus Menezes  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner Menezes:

In response to the Office Action dated July 14, 2006, currently due October 14, 2006, please enter the following amendments.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.